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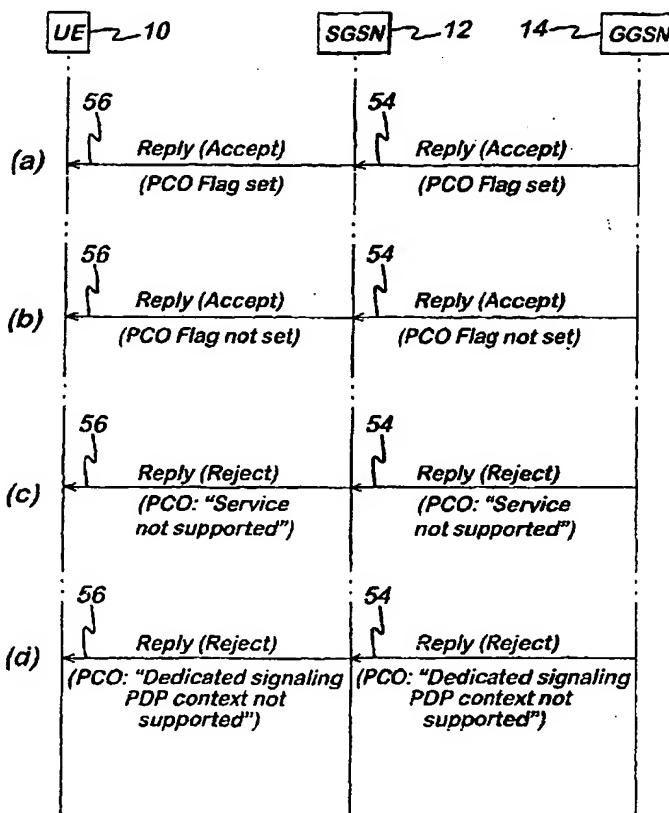
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(57) Abstract: There is disclosed a method of establishing a communication connection for traffic between a user equipment and a network, comprising: transmitting a communication connection request from the user equipment to a network element, the request including an indication of a preferred communication connection; receiving a least a part of said request at the network element; selecting at the network element a communication connection for the traffic; and communicating the selected communication connection to the user equipment.

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